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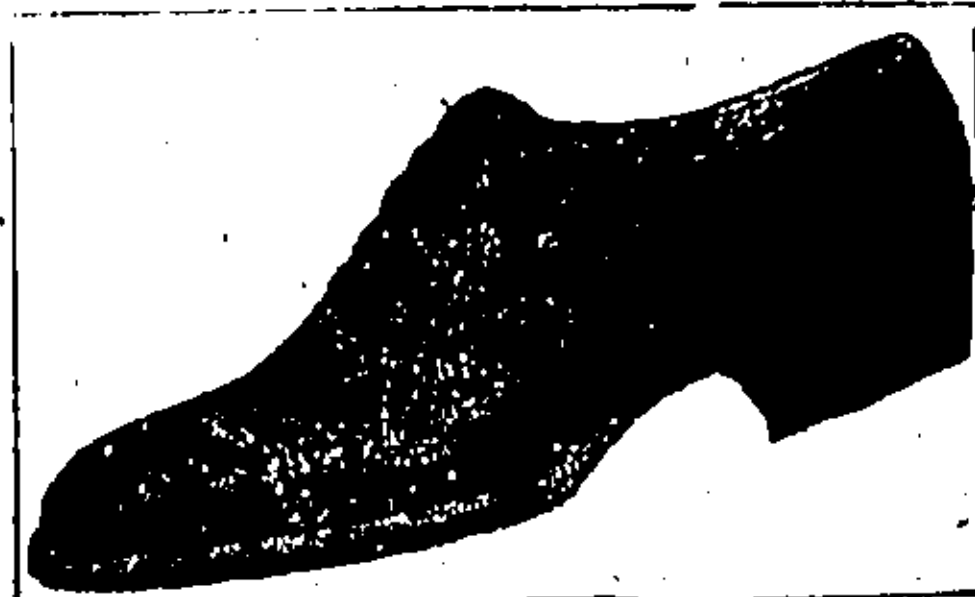
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U. S. IMMIGRATION.

PROTEST FROM ITALY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WASHINGTON, January 2.
Italy has made representations opposing the Immigration Bill now under consideration by the Immigration Committee, contending that further limitation of Italian immigration on the basis of the 1890 census would constitute discrimination against a friendly nation.—Reuter's American Service.

THE NEW LAW.

LATER.
The proposed new immigration law contemplates restricting immigration to two per cent of the number of each country's nationals resident in the United States in 1890 instead of the present law of three per cent residing in the United States in 1910. The proposed measure will bear most heavily on South European countries whose nationals formed a smaller proportion of the population in 1890 than in 1910. Mr. Davis recommends the selection of immigrants at the port of embarkation with special reference to the economic needs of the United States and the exclusion of all who are unable to become citizens under American laws, before sailing.

NORTH POLE FLIGHT.

AMERICAN EXPERTS DISAGREE.

WASHINGTON, January 2.
Various rumours are afloat in connection with the visit of McCrary, the Commander of the airship "Shenandoah" to confer with Government officials regarding the proposed flight to the North Pole next summer. For example it is rumoured that McCrary has disagreed with Heinemann, the German air expert, and also Weyerbacher, the American constructor, both of whom favour a flight to the pole. It is understood that McCrary would prefer to sail along the Pacific Coast and anchor in Alaska where he would prepare for the final dash.—Reuter's American Service.

MOSLEM EMPIRE?

ALI BROTHERS' DENIAL.

CANADA, January 2.
In a statement to the committee of the All-India Congress Shaukat Ali denied that he and his brother Mohamed Ali acted as agents for the Amir for the purpose of founding a Moslem Empire in India. He alleged that the Government was at present provoking a fight with Afghanistan, and added that if war was declared the Mussulmans would start civil disobedience. The Ali brothers begged the Hindus to do their utmost to prevent war and suggested a deputation of Hindus including Gandhi and prominent Mussulmans, should visit the frontier and discuss matters with the Afghans.

FLOODS IN PARIS.

RAFTS REPLACE TRAMCARS.

PARIS, January 2.
The Seine has risen six metres above normal and is still rising. It has reached the disastrous flood level of 1910 and the capital is already beginning to flood, necessitating the closing of the D'Orsay and Invalides stations. The situation in a number of suburbs is serious and families have been driven from their homes. Provisions have been distributed by boats, notably at Rueil where rafts have replaced tramcars.

THE CATHEDRAL.

A MEDITATION.

(Contributed.)

A cold and chilly air marked the passing of the old year. Resolution and hope greeted the new.

To one who wished to ponder upon the events of the past year and to spend the beginning of a blank future in silence, the Cathedral offered an admirable resort. There a watch night service was to be held. It began at the close of the past year and ended at the commencement of the new.

As I sat solemnly reviewing and recalling events of the past twelve months I could not help feeling how much I had to renounce and deny in 1924. No power was one event recalled than another and in quick succession the past year's events came before me. I was three minutes before I could recall the first event of the year.

further one gazes into the future the more there seems to retrieve and undo.

Suddenly the tolling of bells broke the chill silence. Sons of hope were called to the watch. Sons of repentance were welcomed thither.

This solemn melody soon ceased but sweeter music followed promptly in its wake. A select and devout congregation have already gathered most of them on their knees. Their thoughts for once, perhaps, were in common.

The singing of a New Year hymn opened the service. Prayers suitable to the occasion followed—prayers so impressive, fervent and heart-lifting.

Then with a rich and majestic voice the Chaplain read a portion of the scriptures. "Watch! Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching."

More prayers and a hymn followed. Finally the address was delivered in a calm yet enthusiastic manner. Then we all knelt in solemn meditation amidst intense stillness. It was three minutes before I could recall the first event of the year.

TURKS AND SHIPPING.

AN IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, January 2.
Basing their action on the Treaty of Lausanne the Turkish authorities have notified foreign shipping companies operating here that all loading and unloading operations, customs formalities and pilotage must be performed by Moslem Turks. No Europeans are allowed on board steamers in port in connection with these services. Foreign shipping agents are discussing the situation. The question of pilotage affects the safety of ships in Turkish waters and the supply of Turkish pilots is inadequate and the quality leaves much to be desired.

HOME POLITICAL SITUATION.

CITY CONSERVATIVES' VIEWS.

LONDON, January 2.
A more definite light is shed on the letter sent to Mr. Baldwin by the executive of the City of London Conservative Association which is one of the principal topics in connection with the political situation. A meeting of the executive including inter alia Mr. Hunsdon, Sir Frederick Bantury and Sir L. Worthington Evans was held to-day. At the conclusion they declined to divulge the contents of the letter which was sent on December 18 but made a general statement of their views declaring that the formation of a labour government was contrary to the will of the people and would be highly injurious to the nation's domestic and foreign policy. Therefore either a Conservative or a Liberal government should be formed with the support of the other and in the event of a Conservative Ministry proving impossible the Committee hopes the Conservatives will support a Liberal administration.

SIDNEY WEBB AS COLONIAL SECRETARY?

LONDON, January 2.
It is reported that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who is busy making up a cabinet, has offered the Colonial Secretaryship to Mr. Sidney Webb.

MEXICAN MELEE.

OIL FOR THE REBELS.

MEXICO CITY, January 2.
The tanker "San Antonio" belonging to the Mexican Eagle Oil Company has arrived at Tampico, after being escorted by a rebel gunboat into Vera Cruz harbour where she relieved eight thousand barrels of crude oil for the railways controlled by the revolutionaries. The tankers "San Leonardo" and "Santa Alicia" of the same line were also taken to Vera Cruz to provide the rebels with oil, of which they are in great need.—Reuter's American Service.

SERVICE SQUADRON'S TOUR.

CAPETOWN VISIT CONCLUDED.

CAPETOWN, January 2.
The visit of the special service squadron concluded with the departure of the battle cruisers "Hood" and "Repulse" for Mossel Bay and other ports along the coast. The warships had an enthusiastic send-off.

GREEK CRISIS.

GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

ATHENS, January 2.
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ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

Verse And Verse.

There are meters trochaic,

And meters iambic.

And meters of musical tone.

But the meter

That's neater, and sweeter,

Completer,

Is to meet or in the moonlight

Alone.

Cause and Effect.

After having imbibed a little

courage I asked to see some silk

stockings. "Twenty-seven-and-

six!" I echoed, glancing at the

pair shown me. "Why," I said,

"I could get half a dozen pairs of

socks for myself for that." The

girl smiled sweetly as she replied,

"Ah, but you haven't got pretty

legs and ankles to show off."

"Pat Bushie."

Ass.

The Villager tells a story which

is too good not to be repeated.

It was recalled by a recent incident in

an American court room in which a

woman automobilist apologized for

calling a policeman, who had arrested

her for speeding, a donkey.

An Englishman, it appears, was in a

somewhat similar position and hav-

ing paid his fine, asked the justice

if he might put a question. "Yes,"

was the reply, "whereas he said: 'I

realize now that I committed a

fault in calling this policeman an

ass. But would the court fine me

if I were to call an ass a police-

man?" "No," frowned the justice,

"you would be within your rights."

"Good morning, policeman!" said

the offender, bowing cordially to his

appraizer as he left the room.

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DEATH.

HUNTER.—At London, on the
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Hunter, late of the Hongkong
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HONGKONG THURSDAY, JAN. 3, 1924.

MESSAGES.

It is the custom of the rulers and heads of great Nations at this season of the year to make utterances which may be considered as messages to the Nations concerned. In the case of America this is meant to be so. It would perhaps not be quite fair either to judge or consider these messages as they have been cabled. Brevity is the order of the day, but it is very noticeable that whilst in the case of President Coolidge a matter of three lines is devoted to what may be considered the gist of his message to the people of America, in which he states that the Nation has made a record of gratifying accomplishments which he believes will continue, his colleagues utterances in which they set out to prove how prosperous has been their country, are given at greater and detailed length. Whilst this "worldly success" is due to the "greater integrity" or business of the people of America, the

friends, or their "splendid isolation" in regard to shoudering part of the world's problems, must be a matter of opinion. If success is to be gauged in increased business, increased savings, the almost universal possession of motor cars, then it has to be admitted that America has nothing to complain of and faces the future with increased hope and the possibility of celebrating another New Year "regardless of expense."

The German President's message concludes with the pious hope "that the bulwarks of hate and mistrust separating Germany from the other nations may be torn down." Those who are not obsessed with the idea that nothing can be too bad for Germany, will cordially echo this sentiment. It will mean much for Europe if these bulwarks can soon be razed and energies concentrated in healthy trade rivalry.

Our gracious King's message, turned us for a moment to a re-reading of his speech on May 13, 1922, on the battlefields of France and to the reference in it to "The Truths by which the World lives." "The Truths by which the World lives" are, of course, the truths which are the basis of all human life, but truths by which the world lives. There are also those striking lines in which the crosses over the many graves and the graves themselves are described as "proofs of virtue" which are to be found throughout the world and its waters. "The whole circuit of the earth is girdled with

the graves of our dead. We would fain believe that the thought of these proofs of virtue was in the mind of His Majesty when he penned his New Year message. It is far from bombastic; subdued and dignified, stating his confidence that the British will be true to their great traditions and will face and overcome the difficulties still confronting us. There is a call to a high purpose and achievement in these modest lines breathing as they do a quiet confidence, and we sincerely trust that the message, not falling on deaf ears, will rouse the Nation to a sense of its high calling and a further belief in the message that sacrifice and honour are no vain things.

Home Unemployment.

Recently we considered the question of Home Unemployment and suggested much of it might be alleviated by resuming trade relations with Russia, who, as we pointed out, was anxious to trade with Great Britain and needed just those things which we were able to supply. It is interesting now to read that many candidates, principally Labour and Liberal, made that one of the planks in their programmes. The matter is likely to be made prominent during the sitting of Parliament and a peace made with Moscow which is likely to result in a substantial gain to Great Britain and the world at large. Everybody who is not willfully blind to the facts knows the changed conditions in Russia today. The Soviet Government has resolutely worked its way through enormous difficulties, some of which were of its own and some of our making. Russia has now a favourable trade balance and a healthy currency. Social and commercial life has come back onto normal lines. The economic resources of the country are being patiently developed. But the rate of development is slow, because of the lack of funds. Russia needs credits, and it is not mere altruism to say that we ought to provide them. The Russians can export goods to us that we want, and they can import British manufactures that they want. The credits required to set this trade flowing need not come directly from the British Government: the City, with Government backing, could do all that is necessary. The City would, no doubt, want an acknowledgment of the Russian debts by the Soviet Government; but that, it is no secret, can be got in return for a *de jure* recognition. Here is a common-sense bargain, on which the welfare of millions hangs. Nothing but prejudice and stupidity prevents its being struck.

Teaching.

Mr. H. G. Wells has declared that "teachers are born; not made." He further says that the supply of born teachers is so small that there is only one for five children, and "only one passable teacher for one hundred children."

"To get at the truth that underlies Mr. Wells' statement, we need to realise what teaching is. Briefly it is lighting a lamp, and not filling a bucket. That is to say, the real teacher is one who inspires the pupil with the love of learning or of craftsmanship. In selecting teachers it is the custom to gauge fitness by the degree of their education and the amount of their knowledge; but the trouble is that many who are highly educated and whose minds are well stored are utterly deficient in the natural born talent of teaching. Unfortunately there is no way of selecting teachers except by the process of examination, and examinations are misleading. The only way to find out whether a person can teach is to let him try it. If he can awaken enthusiasm and make the child want to learn, he is a good teacher, no matter how ill-informed he may be. If he cannot light the flame of desire for knowledge in the child's spirit, he is a poor teacher, no matter how many degrees he may possess."

Some children we are told, are compelled to recite in draughty corridors. No place to quote long passages, certainly.

"How long will it be before the Government Asses learn sense with regard to pulling up the roads?" an irate correspondent asks us. Donkeys years we are afraid.

Another correspondent wants to know who uses all the snail that is being manufactured. No one does, he says.

Professor Howard McGregor has stated that he believes that the "missing link" was a woman. We understand the learned professor is now missing.

Some of the stakes used by Bruce's soldiers at the battle of Bannockburn have been unearthed. Our Edinburgh House serves up some much older than that.

Ethelred: "There's a READY. certain question I've wanted to ask you for weeks."

Alfreda: "Well, get a move on, I've had the answer waiting for months."

The other day we LAZ. AGAIN. gave examples of the biting tongue of Queen Elizabeth. Here are a few more:

To Henry III's Ambassador she said:—
Although I may not be a lioness, I am a lion's cub, and inherit many of his qualities; and as long as the King of France treats us gently he will find me as gentle and tractable as he can desire; but if he be rough, I shall take the trouble to be just as troublesome and offensive to him as I can.

Something like that to the ponderous Poincaré might make that gentleman sit up.
Here is a word to the Kneading Commons:—
There will never Queen sit in my seat with more zeal to my country, care to my subjects, and that will sooner with willingness yield and venture her life for your good and safety than myself. And though you have had and may have many princes more mighty and wise sitting in this seat, yet you never had or shall have any that will be more careful and loving.

There are more samples of this direct utterance in this more than splendid book to which we shall hope to refer to again.

"I say, Tom, are His LITTLE you ever troubled with sleeplessness?"

"I am. Some nights I don't sleep three hours," replied Tom.
"I pity you, then," remarked Bill. "I've got it awfully bad. I've been afflicted now for about two years. This doctor calls it 'neuritis insomniac paralytica.'"

"You granted, and then said:—
'I've had it about six months, but we call it a baby.'"

There has just died PRAYER SHOP. a Mr. Frederick L. Rawson who was described as a Prayer Shop. He received orders for prayers, took the attendant charges, and sold literature on the subject. During the war a very large traffic took place with prayers for the City of those who were in the army, but in normal times the prayers were for recovering health, news of lost friends and relatives, and other things of a more solid and a more material nature. The same thing is being done in America where attention is given to all sorts of requirements. A magazine published in connection with this business gives extracts from letters it has received, and we append a few, merely as a matter of interest and with no added comment that there is no exaggeration in the ones selected.

I wrote you asking prayers for my husband might get daytime work. A short while afterwards he was employed in day work with better pay and shorter hours.

I can never express to you my appreciation for your prayers. I wrote you last week stating facts in regard to selling my property. This week I had word from my lawyer saying the house had been sold at a good price.

When I wrote you asking for prayers I had a tuberculous leg that had been troubling me for nineteen years. I am now restored to health. You may discontinue prayers for me.

Inclosed please find my weekly tithes. At the exact time last Friday that we undertook a payment of fifty dollars a rise in salary. This is one of the many wonderful demonstrations of the working out of the Divine Law for us.

I thank you for the help which I received through your prayers. I have a ten-pound baby, and did not call a doctor. I thank you for the many blessings which I have received under your ministry.

You may discontinue prayers. There are many pages of this kind of thing, dealing with every possible requirement of the human mind and body, except requests for prayers that more sense may be given. That is omitted.

Mr. Earlforward always read the placards for news. There was nothing much to-night. Death of a Well-Known Statesman.

Mr. Earlforward was an expert in interpretation. He was aware that "well-known" on a newspaper placard meant exactly the opposite of what it meant in any other place; it meant not well-known. The placard always divided dead celebrities into two categories. If Blank was a supreme personage, the placard said: "Blank Dead." Two most impressive words. If Blank was a real personage, but not quite supreme, the placard said: "Death of Blank." Three words, not so impressive. All others nameless were in the third category of well-knowns. (Arnold Bennett "Ridgeway Steps")

Dr. Kendall, in his Microbe, "Civilization and the Microbe," tells his readers that one microbe can accumulate, theoretically at least, 78,700,000,000,000,000,000,000 descendants in twenty-four hours. This makes the rate at which the mark crashed out of existence look like a veritable snail's crawl. Another example of relativity!

To-day's Poem.

(The Same Old World.)
Ah, World of ours, are you so gray
And weary, World, of spinning,
That you repeat the tales to-day
You told at the beginning?
For lo! the same old myths that made
The early "stage successes"
Still "hold the boards" and still
Are played
"With new effects and dresses."
—AUSTIN DOBSON.

WEATHER CALENDAR

JANUARY 3.

1770. The year commenced indeed, with a very significant tempest, legible from Arlington Street to this place. The road was strewn with tiles, pales, bricks, and trees. My sky-light was demolished in town, and here I have lost two beautiful elms in a line with this bow-window. Lady Jersey would not grieve more if she had lost two of her pretty fore-teeth. But the greatest ruin is at my nephew Dysart's house at Ham, where five-and-thirty of the old elms are blown down. I think it no loss, as I hope now one shall see the river from the house. He never would cut a twig to see the most beautiful scene upon earth. —Walpole.

HUMAN BEINGS.

This world is not a crazy-quilt of unrelated races, but a collection of human beings completely related, with all our interests—food and ambitions and the desire to play—absolutely in common, so that if we would take thought all together, and work together, as a football team does, we would start making a perfect world. —From "The Trail of the Hawk," by Sinclair Lewis.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

January 3.—Coronet Theatre; Laurette Taylor in "Peg O' My Heart."

January 3.—Star Theatre; Jackie Coogan in "Trouble."

January 3.—World Theatre: "In the Name of the Law."

January 3.—The Grand Theatre; "The Heart of Maryland."

January 24.—Fancy Dress Ball at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

LAND SALE.
January 7.—At P. W. D. Offices, one lot of Crown land, at Ma Tau Wei, 3 p.m.

January 8.—Lammert Bros., household furniture, at No. 3, Peak Road, 2.30 p.m.

OTHER MEETING.
January 10.—Hongkong Jockey Club, extraordinary general meeting, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., at 5 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lighting-up time to-day is at 5.51 p.m.

To-day is a holiday with the Chinese Maritime Customs.

Exchange on London is 2/3 3/4; on Shanghai 70 3/4. Rubber is 49 1/2 cents per lb.

At Sookumpoo yesterday, South China beat H.M.S. "Despatch" in a first division league football match by one goal to nil.

A General Meeting of St. Andrew's Church Men's Association is to be held in the Church Hall at 8.45 p.m., Tuesday, January 8, 1924.

Eighty-five cases of small-pox were reported last week and there were 53 deaths from the disease. During the new year holidays 40 fresh cases were notified.

Motor Bus No. 851, of the Kai Tak Co., is reported as having toppled off the road into a field near the Hongkong Leather Works. Two passengers were injured in the accident.

On New Year's Day, a fire broke out in a baker's shop in the new main street at Chung King Island. The blaze was soon put out and the damage is not heavy. The premises are covered by insurance.

MANILA COLLISION.

"YUEN SANG" AND
"MONTROSE."

INDO-CHINA COY. GETS DAMAGES.

Judgment for the plaintiffs was given by the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies K. C.) to-day in the case in which the owners of the s.s. "Yuen Sang," who are the Indo-China Steam Navigation Coy. Ltd., sued the s.s. "Montrose" for damages for collision. The "Montrose" counter-claimed for damages alleged to have been done by the "Yuen Sang."

At the hearing Commander C. W. Beckwith, the Harbour Master, sat with the Chief Justice as Assessor. Mr. Eldon Potter K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Hastings and Hastings) appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. F. C. Jenkin with Mr. Campbell Prosser (instructed by Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master) represented the defendants.

The facts as filed by the plaintiffs were that the "Yuen Sang" was moored to the bulkhead between the piers and that the "Montrose" was lying alongside a pier on the starboard bow of the "Yuen Sang." A typhoon came on very suddenly and the two ships came into collision. Plaintiffs alleged that the "Montrose" was negligent in not having steam up at the time the typhoon signal went up and that she was not sufficiently strongly moored and that her stern lines should have been cast off after her bow lines parted to enable her to ride head to the wind.

The Defence.
By the defendants it was claimed that immediately the No. 4 signal went up something after 4 p.m. the moorings of the "Montrose" were strengthened and all practical steps taken to secure her alongside the pier in order to prevent her being carried away by the wind and so damage herself and other ships. At the same time steam was ordered to be raised, but the typhoon increased with such abnormal rapidity that it struck her before this could be accomplished and with such force as in any case to have rendered her engines useless. When the moorings began to give way the port anchor was dropped, the starboard anchor already being out. When the anchor dragged, the cable was paid out in order, if possible, to enable the anchor to hold, but without effect, and the starboard side of the "Yuen Sang" collided with the starboard side of the "Montrose."

The "Yuen Sang" was in fault for staying at her berth when the fourth signal was hoisted, because the special character of the berth rendered it dangerous for her to remain. She was also at fault for attempting to move away from the wharf as she did just before the collision and those in charge of the "Yuen Sang" acted in an unseamanlike manner and in violation of Article 29 of the regulations for preventing collisions.

Court's Finding.
In the course his judgment the Chief Justice dealt with the defendant's contention that the accident was inevitable and that even if the "Montrose" had had steam up it would not have made any difference. His Lordship said that it was no excuse for a master of a vessel when he could not prevent an accident when it occurred if he neglected to use measures of precaution which would have rendered the accident less probable.

"Now," the Chief Justice continued, "the burden of proving an inevitable accident is on the defendant. I am not constrained to find that the existence of steam in the 'Montrose' would necessarily have averted an accident—in the face of the evidence referred to it would be impossible to do so—but in my opinion it cannot be gainsaid that the existence of steam would have rendered the accident less probable. Furthermore, I am of opinion that the Master was wanting in reasonable care and caution in not having steam up when the typhoon signals were up and in particular in not getting steam up when the No. 4 signal was hoisted. This is required by the Manila Government regulations and if the statement of the pilot can be construed as advising the Master not to keep up his steam, which is, I think, most doubtful, the Master was not justified in acting on it."

"I may add that the Assessor entirely agrees with me in the conclusion at which I have arrived."

Were Moorings Sufficient?
With regard to the "Montrose" moorings, the Chief Justice indicated

ed that he was advised by the Assessor that the moorings were sufficient up to 4 p.m. but that after the No. 4 signal was hoisted the Master instead of doubling up his forward moorings should have got up his port bow cable and made a good breast spring to the No. 5 Pier. With this powerful mooring the Assessor believed that the ship would have ridden the storm in safety. There was always a great difficulty in getting an even strain on a number of moorings, whereas getting up a cable and heaving it taut with a powerful windlass was a simple matter and, in the opinion of the Assessor, it should have been done instead of multiplying the ropes and hawsers.

Absence of Steam Inexcusable.
"This," concluded the Chief Justice, "is irrespective of the question of steam, the absence of which on the engines of the 'Montrose' on the 30th and 31st, under the conditions of weather then existing and without any particular reason, is wholly inexcusable. The ship was well found with good engines indicating 2200 h.p. and, steaming when loaded ten knots, would, had she a proper head of steam, have been in a position to help herself very considerably if the occasion been needed to avoid collision."

"There will be a declaration that the plaintiffs are entitled to damages, with the usual reference and with liberty to apply and with costs. The counter-claim will be dismissed with costs."

Question of Damages.
Discussing the question of damages Mr. Jenkin pointed out that it would be a nautical question whether or not the whole or part of the damage caused to the "Yuen Sang" was caused before the collision.

The Chief Justice: I should have thought that was a matter which should go to the Registrar. I cannot understand why, under the circumstances prevailing out here, the question of damages was not left to this Court.

Mr. Potter: We were merely acting in accordance with the ordinary usage of this Court, My Lord.

NEW YEAR'S MORNING. VI
There creeps across the world, these winter hours
A sense of hope that fathers happiness
And threads the tired thoughts and heavy stress
That burden many with fragrant promises of the flowers
Of good to come, whatever days sky lowers
Of sweetness hid in buds of bitterness
Of large relief behind each dire distress
Of peace and calm to follow stinging showers
Fling wide thy doors, O heart of mine, to find
The King's great gift far from this New Year's Morn
Leave thy dark cave of mournful memories
Whose quest is empty as the wandering wind
Torn from roots in last new year's victory
God bless this year that you may be reborn

S. P. C. A.

A MONTH'S WORK.

The joint work of the Inspectors for the month was as follows:—
TRANSPORT.

Poultry in crates inspected, 1,034
Poultry on trucks and lorries, 288
Poultry in junks and ferries, 181
Pigs in junks and ferries, 1,001
Pigs on trucks, 700
Cattle in junks and ferries, 465
Cattle ashore, 282
Sheep and goats in junks and ferries, 112

IMPORTS.
Poultry in ships and junks, 3,295
Poultry by rail, crates, 104
Pigs in ships and junks, 7,277
Pigs by rail, 113
Cattle in ships and junks, 1,893
Sheep and goats in ships and junks, 491
Small birds, cages, 36
Owls, 69
Wild cats, 10
Monkeys, 55
Porticoes, baskets, 45
Baskets of snakes, 26
Rabbits, baskets, 2
Puppies, 20
Hawks, 2

EXPORTS.
Cattle, 181
Sheep and goats, 92
Torticoes, baskets, 2

VISITS.
Markets, 55
Birdshops, 14
Cattle depots, 4
Landing place Kennedy Town, 20
Dealers shops at Mongkok, 12
Poultry depots, 30
Dogs' home, 5
Pig pens at Yaumati, 3
Railway stations, 17

MISCELLANEOUS.
Cruelty to an Eagle investigated, 1
Cats disposed of by order of Magistrate, 18
Cruelty to dogs investigated, 4
Ignominious cruelty cases corrected, 49
Ferries watched, times, 8
Cats found in house in First street, cages, 4
Elephant seen in birdshop, 1

THE RUGBY INTERPORT.

SHANGHAI WIN BY NARROW MARGIN.

A large crowd containing many distinguished personages witnessed the Rugby Interport game at Happy Valley yesterday. H.E. The Governor and Lady Severn arrived in good time for the "kick-off" and among other prominent people present were Sir Claude Severn, K.B.E., C.M.G., and Lady Severn, Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, K.C.B., Sir William Rees Davies, Commodore Grace, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak.

Shanghai were the first to make an appearance accompanied by a "Teddy Bear" mascot and led on by their captain Mr. H. W. P. McMeekin amidst the applause of the crowd. Hongkong led by Mr. H. R. Forsyth closely followed them and were also accorded a good reception.

Before the game commenced the players were presented to H.E. The Governor who passed down the ranks and shook hands with each one.

The ground had been specially watered before hand with a view to alleviating some of its well known hardness and perfect weather marked the occasion.

The teams lined up as follows:—

SHANGHAI.

Full Back:
G. D. Nicholl.

Three-quarters:
J. Shaw, C. R. W. Thomson,
H. W. P. McMeekin, G. F. W. Richard.

Half Back:
R. L. S. Webb and G. E. Goolden.

Forwards:

W. E. D. Smith, E. J. Dowley,
J. C. Stewart, E. A. Jenkinson,
B. S. Stephenson, S. A. Grew,
W. D. Neill, T. Lench.

HONGKONG.

Full Back:
S. E. King.

Three-quarters:
O. Skinner, J. A. D. Morrison,
C. B. Easterbrook, H. R. Cleland.

Half Back:
W. J. Clerk and A. C. I. Bewker.

Forwards:

H. R. Forsyth, J. Ralston,
H. E. D. Adams, H. H. Day, J. Miller,
V. R. Jones, A. C. Groves,
W. R. Andrews.

THE GAME.

Shanghai having won the toss Hongkong kicked off against the sun. It was early apparent that the Home forwards were the superior pack and play was taken to the visitors' 25. Shanghai relieved by a kick to touch near the half way line but were again forced back. Hongkong were continually getting the ball in scrum but their backs were playing a very poor game and never looked like scoring. The first score, after twenty minutes play, came as a surprise it being the first time that Shanghai had penetrated to any depth at all in their opponents' territory. Goolden secured from a loose scrimmage and after making an excellent opening transfered to McMeekin who in turn, having added his quota to the distance covered, passed to Richard who romped over in great style. McMeekin failed to convert from a difficult angle. From now on to half time play was of a more even nature and one or two bursts of dribbling by the Shanghai forwards were noticed the players prominent being Stewart, Smith and Stephenson. King gathering well ran well up into the opposing territory and found touch well up. Hongkong however failed to gain any material advantage. Half-time arrived with Shanghai leading by 1 try (3 points) to nil.

On the resumption a change in the Hongkong side was noticed. Easterbrook going to the wing and Cleland to centre. Morrison to fly half and Bowker to centre three whilst Forsyth came out of the scrum doubtless to combat the five-three-quarter policy which Shanghai had adopted.

Shanghai attacked first and the ball going over the line King elected to touch down. Thompson got away but lost the opportunity of adding to the score by passing wildly. Bowker got away well with the ball at his feet but having kicked it past the Shanghai back did not have the necessary speed to get there first and Shanghai cleared without trouble. The Hongkong forwards carried the play into their opponents' territory and in a very favourable position were awarded a free kick for an infringement. Bowker endeavoured to goal but what was otherwise a magnificent pick went wide of the post. The Shanghai outside were now showing their superiority and eventually were rewarded when a brilliant three movement resulted in Richard again crossing the line. McMeekin failed to convert. Play settled down somewhat after this with Hongkong superior forward but hopelessly outclassed in the back division. The Home forwards were not to be without their reward however,

\$8,000 FIND.

CHINESE BOY'S HONESTY.

Picking up \$8,000 in Hongkong banknotes and immediately handing same over to the police is what a Chinese boy, twelve years of age, disreputable in appearance and with his clothes in shreds, did during the holidays.

This is what most people dream about but it actually occurred. The boy is said to have found the money lying in Des Voeux Road Central and to have calmly handed it over to the inspector on duty at Central Station. We are unofficially informed that the officer all but collapsed and that an interpreter who has been attached to the Lunatic Asylum immediately did some amateur medical examination, but the youth was sane enough.

YAMUATI DUEL.

GOVERNOR'S APPRECIATION.

His Excellency the Governor has expressed his appreciation of the work done by the members of the Yamuati police who took part in the capture of four alleged armed robbers in the sensational shooting affray last Saturday, especially commending the officer in charge of the capture for the excellent disposition arranged for the men engaged. The commendation contains an opinion that the capture will greatly discourage crime in the Colony.

From inquiry amongst his colleagues, it is learnt that Sergeant Robertson, who was seriously wounded in the street battle, is making considerable improvement. The condition of the other three officers is satisfactory.

ARMS AGAIN.

Detective Sub-Inspector Fallon has effected a seizure of a small armory on board the river steamer "Leung Kwong." Fourteen Mausers, two Luger pistols, four revolvers and 1,600 rounds of ammunition, were found concealed in the false casing in the side of the forepeak of the vessel.

No arrests were made and this morning, the contraband was ordered to be confiscated at the Magistracy.

IN BRIEF.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CABLES.

A message from Landak states that a Shinwari tribesman concerned in the murder of Major Finnis at Baluchistan has been captured. Four others are still evading the vigilance of the militia.

It is officially announced that the British Empire exhibition will not be open on Sundays, except the stadium for certain religious events, for example, the national thanksgiving service on Empire Sunday, May 25.

Havana—An invitation to Vicente Blasco Ibanez, Spanish author, to lecture before the students of Havana University has been withdrawn by the Federation of Students. The reasons for the action are that Ibanez had "sold his pen and words for Yankee gold" and also that the federation considered him opposed to Latin-American ideas.

Toronto, Ont.—The Ontario Municipal Electric Association, represented by 200 delegates, passed resolutions, urging the Dominion and Provincial governments to take immediate steps to provide additional power by the development of the St. Lawrence, and disapproving the diverting of water of the Great Lakes at Chicago, and asking that the Government make protest to Washington.

for with about seven minutes to go as strenuous rush enabled Day to touch down. Bowker was very unlucky with the kick which just went the wrong side of the post. Hongkong now made repeated and vigorous efforts to draw level but they were of no avail, and "no side" eventually came with Shanghai winners by 2 tries (6 points) to 1 try (3 points).

Forsyth, Adams, Day and King were the outstanding Hongkong players whilst Stewart, Smith, Stephenson Goolden and Nicholl did well for Shanghai.

It was a fast, gruelling game throughout, played with a wonderful sporting spirit. Lt. Col. B. A. Hill, D.S.O. very ably controlled the game, and Messrs. H. L. King and G. G. M. Tinson were the touch judges. To-day Shanghai met the Navy and in view of the gruelling they had yesterday, it is expected that the Navy will win. One never knows however.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

(From Our Queen's Road Correspondent.)

The flow of my dispatches has been somewhat interfered with by Christmas and New Year shopping which as usual took place in and around December 25th and 31st last. The volume of trade has been much greater, and I hear that several establishments had to enlarge their staffs of Coolies, whilst the engagement of additional Shroffs to collect the accounts is being seriously considered. The Association of Queen's Road Shopkeepers has had under serious consideration a communication from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Shroffs, who pointed out that the serious mortality amongst Shroffs was due entirely to the fact that many of them suffered from severe strain of the wrists due to having to carry so many additional and unpaid accounts; less of morale in continually being told to "come at end of month," and additional exertion used in prefixing revenue stamps to receipted bills of \$10 and over. The Association deliberated for some time without coming to any decision in the matter, and it becomes one of the pressing problems of 1924.

For days now, the Road has been a mass of upheavals, and it was felt that some enterprising Cinema photographer had obtained permission to re-enact the Yokohama earthquake, but the sight of certain P.W.D. Overseers bristling with energy, has dissipated that idea, and now it is learned that the P.W.D. with that consideration which characterises all its actions, and in spite of the fact that they have not spent all the money allotted to them in other and less congested parts of the Colony, were, so to speak, leaving no stone unturned to do things. These things were not quite apparent. A Broker has suggested that they were not satisfied with the margin which the road has given. He said this with a smile, so I presume there is a share implication intended. I think he was a broker for he wore spats, a bowler hat and a satisfied smile. Another said it was a test in patience instituted by the Police Department. In any case it has been voted a universal nuisance and a sample of Hongkong Business Methods.

LATER.

I had almost sent this by special Carrier when most important news reached me and I rushed out to verify it. The excavations in Queen's Road are now explained. Dredged by the result of the burrowing in and around Two-CAN-T-HARA-EM'S Tomb, permission was given for the upheaval of Queen's Road in the hope that discoveries of an important character might be made.

After much digging and disappointment, an important discovery has been made, a large iron pipe having been laid bare. Tautologists say this bears evidence of the Roman invasion, and its nearness to the bar of an adjacent hostility seems to show that our great great antecedents were not exactly prohibitionists. The excitement is intense. Meanwhile the Government has been informed, a special meeting of the Legation Council is to be held, and it is likely that a Commission in favour of Reservations for Roman Remains will be appointed. All being well I will write again as soon as my head is better.

(P.S.—Can you send me a cheque for my now long overdue account?)

NORTH BORNEO.

The following, signed by the Governor, is prefaced to the Administration Report for 1922 of the State of North Borneo:—

Taking over the Governorship in November, I was able by the end of the year to visit a portion of the East Coast Residency and to pay a flying visit to the Interior—as far as Keningau, seeing something of the West Coast Residency on the way up. My first impressions are good. The country is peaceful and well administered, the climate healthy, land rich and suitable for the cultivation of various products, while the possession of so many good harbours is a great asset. The needs are population (Chinese are especially suitable) and communications. As the stabilisation of the Rubber industry becomes assured, British financiers will be well advised to open more and more rubber Estates. Suitable tracts of land, especially on the East Coast, are available. There is a sign that the weather Chinese are leaving their money in the country. This is to be encouraged, as no Country can hope to succeed if money is taken out of it and invested elsewhere.

WILLIAM RYDER, Governor.

DRUG SEIZURE.

DOPE FIENDS BUSY.

Three hundred and sixty pounds of heroin, packed in seven cases, and stowed in the ship amongst the general cargo, were found by Revenue Officer Ward yesterday, on board the s.s. "Fushimi Maru," on her arrival from Marseilles, and European ports.

It is said that the seizure will lead to further discoveries. Meanwhile, the authorities are reticent as to the marks on the cases, name of shipper, consignee, destination, etc. An unofficial estimate places the value of heroin at about \$500 per pound, making the value of the whole lot at about \$180,000.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Returning from work in the evening, a coolie of Stanley village, found that his matted home was ablaze. After the structure had been gutted he discovered that his son, six years of age and daughter, who was two years old, had been burnt to death. The children's attempt to boil some tea is surmised as the cause of the fire.

At No. 8, Shaukiwan Road, used as a chairmaker's shop, an armed robbery was committed on New Year's night. In his report to the police, the master states that he was awakened by his wife screaming. Two men were in the act of removing his wife's bangle and the other, who covered him with a gun, took \$50 from his pocket. There was a third robber who stood guard over two apprentices. The value of the jewellery stolen was \$41.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. William Vans Agnew, of Manila, to Miss Mary Murry Stewart, en route from England; Mr. Horace Blood, H.M.S. "Titanic," to Miss Doris Mary Tennyson Ravers, Kingsclere Hotel, Kowloon.

Dr. Lim Eng Hae, House-surgeon of the Government Civil Hospital, has been granted a Fellowship in Ophthalmology by the China Medical Board (Rockefeller Foundation) for further studies at the Peking Union Medical College under the famous Prof. Fuch (Jr.) of Vienna. Dr. Lim is leaving the Colony on January 7, by the s.s. "President Grant."

Among the passengers arriving by the "Fushimi Maru" was the Rev. N. A. Peel, A.K.C., who was recently appointed Assistant Chaplain to the Missions to Seamen in Hongkong by the London Committee of the Society. Mr. Peel has already had considerable experience of this work among the Seafarers, having assisted in the Ports of Melbourne, London, and Rotterdam. He will at present be in charge of the Kowloon Seamen's Institute, and later on in the year act as Superintendent and Secretary during the absence on leave of the Senior Chaplain.

TO-DAYS ADVERTISEMENT.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, January 8, 1924, commencing at 5.15 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, a Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps. Mostly British Colonials King's head in Mint condition. Catalogues will be issued. On View from Monday the 7th January, 1924. Terms—Cash or delivery. CAMMERS BROS., Auctioneers. Hongkong, 3rd January, 1924.

DOLLAR DIRECTORY.

1924 issue

To avoid delay in publication, old and new firms are requested to send particulars at once for insertion in the 1924 issue of the Dollar Directory.

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TO-DAYS ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1924.

ENTRIES for the FORTHCOMING RACES close on SATURDAY, 19th instant at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Jockey Club Rooms, 3A, Chater Road on this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, the Jockey Club Rooms (Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road) or Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1924.

SECOND HAND MACHINERY.

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KOWLOON.

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NOTICE.

THE General Officer Commanding, China Command, brings to the notice of all concerned that no soldier can be placed under stoppages of pay for a private debt.

If therefore, inhabitants suffer soldiers to contract debts, they will do so at their own risk.

Hongkong, January 3, 1924.

HONGKONG BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.

WOLF CUBS ON THE PEAK.

A Meeting will be held at the Peak Club at 6 p.m. on MONDAY next January 7th, to start a Pack of Wolf Cubs for boys of 6-9 years old resident in the Peak District. Parents and all interested are cordially invited to attend. The principles and methods of the Organisation will be briefly explained.

G. T. WALDEGRAVE

Commissioner, H.K.B.S.A.

Hongkong, January 3, 1924.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

SECRETARYSHIP.

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club require the services of a Secretary who will be required to devote his whole time to the interests of the Club. Applicants should be well acquainted with the work connected with a Golf Club, and should be able to conduct correspondence.

Applications in writing must state qualifications and date, free, and should be addressed to the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, 5 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, endorsed "Secretaryship." Hongkong, January 3, 1924.

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Seasons Greetings To All

For us the past has been brightened by your support. For you we wish an increased brightness and prosperity during the year to come and the years that follow.

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DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

STRIKING SUCCESSSES.

The results of the Diocesan Boys' School in Scholarships at the University in recent years is worthy of special notice. In writing about them we will first mention the conditions governing the Entries and then give the results in recent years. The King Edward VII. Scholarships have been awarded since 1912. In connection with the foundation of the University His Majesty's Government granted the sum of £300 per annum for Scholarships for British subjects, and His Majesty the King, who graciously pleased to direct that the holders should be called "King Edward VII. Scholars" as a token of his personal interest. Each Scholarship is of the annual value of £20, with a minimum (for the purpose of the payment of tuition fees) of \$300, and is tenable for the term of five years. One or more Scholarships are awarded each year on the results of the November Matriculation Examination.

THE PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIPS. In 1915 His Excellency the President of the Republic of China founded five Scholarships, each of the annual value of \$400, Peking currency, tenable for five years, for Chinese subjects not born in Hongkong or in any other British possession or Protectorate and not having adopted any foreign nationality. His Excellency was pleased to signify his desire that these Scholarships should be known as "Ta Tsung Tung Ch'uan Hsueh Fei" or the President's Scholarships for Encouraging Learning. The Scholarships are awarded on the results of the November Matriculation Examination.

THE GOVERNMENT EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP. A varying number of scholarships, each of the value of \$1,000 per annum, are awarded by the Hongkong Government to students in the Education Department of the Faculty of Arts who undertake after graduation to serve as teachers in the Government schools for a specified period. In November, 1921, one such scholarship was thrown open to competition by students from Grant-in-aid schools, and in November, 1922, a similar Scholarship was instituted for women candidates only.

There are also other Scholarships such as the Charter Masonic Scholarships and those awarded by the Local Chambers of Commerce.

It was not until 1919 that the Diocesan Boys' School began winning Scholarships at the University and since that time the School has had a remarkable series of successes which we give below:—

1919.—The King Edward VII. Scholarship—A. T. M. Barnum.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce Scholarship—C. F. G. Jackson.

1921.—The President of China Scholarship—Kam Cheung-fai.

The Hongkong Government Education Scholarship—A. G. Prew.

The Hewitt Memorial Scholarship—N. H. Prew.

The Charter Masonic Scholarship—A. Gourdian.

1922.—The King Edward VII. Scholarship—W. Young Saye.

The Hongkong Government Education Scholarship—W. Young Saye and Yuen Kwok-huen.

1923.—The King Edward VII. Scholarships—Peter Pau and Lau Po-ye.

The Hongkong Government Education Scholarship—Ernest Zimmerman.

It will thus be seen that the School was

In 1919 Two out of the four Scholarships at the Examinations.

In 1921 Four out of the six Scholarships at the Examinations.

In 1922 Two out of the four Scholarships at the Examinations.

In 1923 Three out of the four Scholarships at the Examinations.

There is also one other Scholarship, The Peace Scholarship, Founded at Shanghai, for which the School has not yet had a Candidate who could satisfy the conditions for entry, but it is hoped there will be candidates in future. This Scholarship is worth \$500 per annum for three years and is open to all British boys of pure white descent.

The Headmaster when asked the reasons for the school's successes in recent years said he thought they were due to (1) The united efforts of an excellent staff, to the introduction of more English teachers in the lower classes, and to teachers taking special subjects in several classes instead of taking one class in all subjects; (2) The strong feeling of esprit de corps in the school from Class 8 to Class 1.

(3) The making of boys' decisions about their entries for the Examinations (Matriculation, Senior and Junior) three and four years before the Examinations, giving a lot of sub-

consciousness to the boys, which they intend to aim

CRICKET.

LAST INTERPORT TEAM v. THE REST.

Play was continued yesterday in the holiday fixture, "Last Shanghai Interport" team v. "The Rest." Going in the second time, the travelers batted confidently and Pearce put on the closure when the score was 285 for 9 wickets. Set 316 runs to get for a win, the "Rest" failed, Owen Hughes doing most of the damage.

Scores:—
INTERPORT TEAM—1st Innings. 261 (Wood 85, Pearce 48; Donnelly 3 for 17.)

THE REST—1st Innings. 231 (More 91, Hancock 36; Runjahn 4 for 19.)

INTERPORT TEAM—2nd Innings. G. R. Sayer, c Hett, b Bowker, 11; H. E. Hollands, c More, b Donnelly, 34.

Rev. E. K. Quick, b Lammert, 23; T. E. Pearce, b More, 87; H. Owen Hughes, b Hett, 43; A. E. Wood, b Lammert, 6; A. A. Runjahn, c More, b Lammert, 9.

Capt. E. R. S. Dog, b Lammert, 6; Lammert, 27; H. N. Balhelchet, not out, 27; F. J. Ling, b Lammert, 9; U. M. Omar, did not bat, 54.

Extras 54. Total (for 9 wickets, innings dec.) 285.

Bowling Analysis.

Lammert 22 2 93 5; Bowker 13 1 33 1; Donnelly 6 0 42 1; Webster 6 1 25 0; Hett 3 0 18 1; More 5 1 18 1.

THE REST—2nd Innings. E. J. R. Mitchell, c Runjahn, b Owen Hughes, 22; R. E. A. Webster, c sub, b Runjahn, 37; A. C. I. Bowker, c Runjahn, b Owen Hughes, 0; G. R. More, run out, 25; R. Hancock, c sub, b Owen Hughes, 42; F. G. England, c Pearce, b Ling, 7; Robertson, c Sayer, b Owen Hughes, 0; M. G. Lammert, c Wood, b Ling, 1; Ling, 1; H. S. Hett, c Wood, b Owen Hughes, 1; D. F. McMaster, c sub, b Owen Hughes, 1; D. B. Donnelly, not out, 5; Extras 21.

Total 162.

Bowling Analysis.

Quick 7 0 24 0; Balhelchet 8 3 22 0; Runjahn 8 2 33 1; Owen Hughes 14 2 45 6; Ling 7 0 15 2.

CRAIGENGOWER v. I.R.

Craigengower entertained the Indians in a holiday match at Happy Valley yesterday and he handsomely beaten first and did only make 121. In reply to this Indians put on 216 by very stiff batting.

MAGISTRATE'S BOUQUET.

HOW A FLOWER-SELLER PAID HER FINE.

A flower-seller who was 2s. 6d. at Greenwich for causing obstruction said she had no money. The magistrate, Mr. R. H. Cousins: I will buy half-a-crown's worth of your flowers and then you can pay the fine.

A large bouquet of chrysanthemums was brought into court. Mr. Cousins ordered them to be sent to the Miller Hospital.

at Distinction and the name of the Scholarships for which they enter: (1) To the use of a number of Text Books in all classes which tends to give a wider knowledge and teaches boys to rely on their knowledge rather than to learn by heart from a few Text Books.

The Headmaster also justly remarked that the successes are also possibly due to the education on the part of other schools.

When asked what schools had been asked to serve in a Government school for a specified period.

There is only one Government Education Scholarship open to competition among boys in Grant-in-Aid Schools.

Other Government Education Scholarships (so-called) are offered to boys at Queen's (Government School) who pass Matriculation Examination and undertake to serve in a Government School for a specified period.

The Headmaster said that several years he had urged that these Scholarships should be open to all schools for competition.

The King Edward VII. is President of China Scholarships open to all schools in Hongkong.

BOWLS.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH SCORES.

Below will be found the detailed scores of the annual bowls match between teams representing England and Scotland, played at the K.B.C.C. on New Year's Day.

The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, president of the Lawn Bowls Association, entertained those present to tiffin, provided by the Palace Hotel, and tea in the afternoon. Mr. Stephen also presented spoons to the winning side.

At the conclusion, the president called for cheers from the Scotsmen for their "old and beaten enemy" and counter cheers were given by the men south of the border.

ENGLAND. SCOTLAND.

A. O. Brown R. Sutherland; E. Cock A. O. Lang; A. R. Whibley D. Keith; G. R. Edwards 18 W. Russell 22; C. Pathyjohns J. Hyde; C. Oakes F. Ferguson; C. J. Tacchi D. Harvey 34; H. Davis J. Barr; Lt.-Col. Butterworth D. K. Blair; L. Drummond.

C. Green L. Guy 21; J. Gibson 23; G. Greener J. Reid; W. C. Shiner A. G. Stephen; R. Lapsley D. Gow; H. Stevens 14; R. Wallace 20; —Knot G. Duncan; C. Hatt B. Wylie; S. Alderman A. McFarlane; A. N. Other 12; A. Mair 35.

Total 82 Total 134.

POLICE SPORTS.

The C.S.P. (Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe) gave away the prizes on New Year's Day at the Police annual athletic sports. A big gathering was present on the Recreation ground and interest was very keen.

Results:—
Girls' handicap under 10:—1, Helen Grimmett; 2, Mavis Glendenning; 3, Julien Earner.

Boys' handicap under 10:—1, Stephen Earner; 2, Douglas Taylor; 3, Teddy Cotton.

Men's Boot Race:—1, J. Dick; 2, A. J. Taylor.

Ladies' Coconut Shy:—1, Miss N. Purdie; 2, Mrs. K. Taylor; 3, Master Carpenter.

Gents under 40 H'cap:—1, J. Dick; 2, F. Post; 3, F. Simpson.

Gents over 40 H'cap:—1, T. H. King; 2, Warder West; 3, E. D. C. Wolfe.

Girls' Handicap over 10:—1, B. Taylor; 2, B. Earner; 3, Elsie Wiltshire.

Boys' H'cap. 10 and over:—1, L. Glendenning; 2, J. Clark; 3, R. Gerrard.

Ladies' Thread and Needle:—1, Mr. Simpson and Mrs. A. Clark; 2, Mr. Thorpe and Miss Gerrard; 3, Mr. Cotton and Mrs. Appleton.

Ladies' Egg and Spoon Race:—1, Miss Gerrard; 2, Mrs. Didsbury; 3, Mrs. Earner.

TENNIS.

Club Championship.—1, A. Grimmett; 2, C. Earnshaw.

Men's Handicap.—1, A. Grimmett; 2, N. J. Watts.

LAWN BOWLS.

Club Championship.—1, A. Grimmett; 2, A. W. Smith; 3, W. Glendenning.

Navies: 1, J. Pitt; 2, P. Condon; A. Reynolds.

Club Handicap: 1, W. Glendenning; 2, W. G. Gerrard.

Shield Competition. Winners: Messrs. McLeod, Grimmett, Glendenning and Moss.

Runners-Up: Messrs. Mair, Grant, Condon and Shepherd.

CRICKET.

Batting Challenge Cup: C. F. Alexander.

Bowling Challenge Cup: C. Earnshaw.

HOCKEY.

CLUB v. GRENAJERS.

The following will represent the Club v. the 102nd Grenadiers, at the U.S.R.C. to-morrow at 4.45 p.m.—Club Colours:—G. England; A. H. Reilly; E. G. England; G. Murray; E. J. R. Mitchell; A. S. Hett; E. L. Sine; H. Owen Hughes; F. C. Miller; W. Woodward; G. R. More; D. H. F. McMaster.

On Wednesday next, January 9, there will be a match against a team of Army officers, and it is hoped that there may also be a second team fixture, though as yet one has not been definitely arranged.

Two young jobbers carrying revolvers forced an entrance into an office of Messrs. Wallis, carriers, of Dublin, and, having ordered the clerk in charge to pass up his hands, took £60 and disappeared.

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FREEMASONRY.
AMERICAN NOTES.

The ceremony of the laying of the corner stone of the George Washington National Memorial at Alexandria, Va., Nov. 1, has gone into Masonic history as one of the most significant events in the annals of American Freemasonry. President Calvin Coolidge (not a member of the order), participated, as did also former President William H. Taft, who was made a Mason "at sight" in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Cincinnati, O., Feb. 18, 1909. The memorial building will be one of the most notable structures on the continent being modelled on the great light towers that stood at the harbours of ancient Greek and Roman cities and it will take rank with the Scottish Rite House of the Temple in Washington, D.C., as one of the three or four most magnificent Masonic buildings in the world. Charles H. Callahan, who was in charge of the ceremony, has a reputation in Masonic literature as the author of "Washington, the Man and the Mason," the most complete account of the first President's Masonic activities anywhere in print. Much credit for the success of the George Washington National Memorial Association is being given to its president, Louis A. Waters of Scranton, Pa.

The fourth annual convention of the Masonic Service Association of America, an organization designed to serve as a general clearing house for inter-lodge activities, and supported by about two-thirds of the grand lodges of the Nation, was held in Washington, D.C., during the same week. The outstanding event of the sessions was the adoption of a plan to issue an official journal, to be called *The Master Mason*, the editing of which will be in the hands of the Educational Director of the Association, Dr. Joseph Fort Newton, of New York City, author of *The Builder*, a widely read history and interpretation of Blue Lodge Masonry.

A conference of grand masters was called on October 31, of the same week at Washington, D.C. Mark F. Finley, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia presiding. He introduced a resolution looking toward a national grand lodge, but it won scant support. Ever since Revolutionary times, when an effort was set on foot in 1779 by American Union Lodge of New York City to make George Washington a national grand master, such attempts have been made without success. It appears that the national grand lodge idea is an ignis fatuus. To achieve it the 49 existing grand lodges of the country would have to recast their codes, reorganize themselves, and voluntarily relinquish their sovereignty, a difficult thing to do, and not to be expected.

This appears to be as much an era of clubs as was the eighteenth century. The Masonic Fraternity is rife with them. One of the most prosperous of these social organizations requiring membership in the order is the Girard Craftsman's Club, Philadelphia, named after a famous financier of Revolutionary times who was a Mason. Preparations are being made for the laying of the corner stone of a club building that will cost about \$1,000,000; the ceremonies will be in charge of R. W. Bro. Abraham Beiler, Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania. The club has a membership of nearly 1500. Another typical club, also affiliated with the National League of Masonic Clubs, but of a different nature, is the Trowel Club, with headquarters on the second floor of Central Branch, Y.M.C.A., 55 Hanson Place, Brooklyn, N.Y., which is housed in what is said to be the largest building in the world exclusively used for Y.M.C.A. purposes. Any Master Mason living in the dormitories, or on the official staff of the local Y.M.C.A., is eligible. Of the present membership of 190, about 150 are in residence. The club maintains a costumed 8th Degree Team, rapidly gaining fame through the five boroughs of New York, and wherever it has conferred its degree.

Masonic education holds the centre of the stage just now in American Masonry. Almost every Grand Lodge in the land has its own educational committee, some of them with well paid all-time secretaries, and so have grand bodies in most of the other fields. In some instances these activities look toward a general stimulation of public interest in public schools, but in most cases are designed solely to educate—Masons—in Masonry, to the end that they shall take a more intelligent part in lodge activities, and may be put into more complete possession of their Masonry. The principal source of interest in such studies is the ritual, more especially that employed by the Blue Lodge, and the emblems and symbols. In hundreds of Study Clubs over the land little systematic studies in such subjects, groups of Masons, are carrying on.

WHISTLER AND MAGPIE.
ARTIST'S HOPES OF A "PUFF."

The eccentricities of J. McNeill Whistler, the artist, reappear as fresh as ever in the series of letters to Mr. C. J. Hanson, his private secretary, to be offered at Sotheby's, New Bond-street, W. Referring to his quarrel with the Society of British Artists, of which he was for a short time president, he writes:

Now to-morrow evening you are to go to the Council meeting as you did before, dressed . . . and say that the President begs with his compliments that the gentlemen will not wait, as he is not coming—and then you may say to Mr. Secretary that the President requests that copy of agenda be sent to him at once . . . that he may judge whether he has anything to add himself. . . . Then you can gracefully bow to the lot and bid them good-night, and shoot open your opera hat with a bang—and disappear.

No wonder the society found their President's methods a little too autocratic.

Another time the artist writes: Tell [Wunderlich] that the price of the little Charing Cross Bridge is 8 guineas. That is, if he originally had it for 6, that does not prevent its going up since.

That he was not above a "puff" is evidenced by references in two of his letters to the *Pall Mall Gazette* and its editor, John (afterwards Viscount) Morley. He writes:

Take a copy of the enclosed paragraphs down to the Pall Mall Office and ask to see Mr. Morley . . . and finally when you do see him say that you thought he might like . . . a couple of paragraphs . . . about Mr. Whistler. I am sure that, if you are very nice, and not too woefully important and mysterious, you can make no blunder and Mr. Morley will willingly enough put the paragraphs in the *Pall Mall Gazette*.

"Mr. Whistler, we hear, has in his journeyings in sunny France been idle. He brings back with him some forty new etchings of the finest quality. Those who have seen them in Paris say that the elegancies of French Renaissance have never been so exquisitely rendered as in these fairy-like plates, and the World of Connoisseurs and collectors look forward to the printing of these latest proof of the Master's delicacy with anxious expectation. "We are told that the ex-President is now accompanied by a new familiar in the shape of a most knowing and wicked magpie, who sits on his shoulder, as he etches, and doubtless imparts many mischievous thoughts, etc."

"A PLAYFUL BIT." The commission evidently miscarried, because this follows: Are you quite mad! What could possess you to suppose that I should allow people to think that I could either do a picture of myself with the magpie, or in any way be a party in any such advertisement of myself! Go at once and see Morley, and tell him that the little paragraph was only tolerable as a little playful bit . . .

Write immediately for coals—and say that I have been all this while abroad, and that if there be a bill owing it can all be paid on my return—you will see to this, you may say, but that you must have the coals.

Certainly to have been secretary to the great man was not a bed of roses!

But he had his genial moments. Thus he writes from Paris, January 15, 1900:

This is by way of wishing you the best possible New Year with health and success and what is called luck—which comes to those who—don't wait for it. . . . has Charley Singleton been drafted into any regiment? and has he trusted himself to those poor bewildered British Generals?

after the fashion of classes in a night school, most of them following on more or less well defined outlines of study. Out of these schools will come the Masonic intelligentsia, supplying leaders for the Craft of to-morrow. The Masonic institution has grown to be so large, ramifies so widely, and its literature is so vast that some such course is necessary to the men who desire to know more about it than they can gain from the mere routine of lodge work.

In December, 1922, a group of Masons met in Cleveland, O., to discuss the interests of Masons belonging to various crafts, carpenters, engineers, painters, printers, etc. Out of this grew the Federation of Craftsman, with councils in most of the large cities of the continent. The Federation of Craftsman in Cleveland now publishes a weekly Masonic paper of its own, *The Universal Craftsman*, 2218 West Fourteenth Street.

SHIVERING WOMAN.
PERILS OF "SKIMPY" FASHIONS.

That women are running unnecessary risks to their health by going about too lightly clad in their desire to comply with the present skimpy fashions in dress is the opinion of eminent physicians, who condemn the sacrifice of clothes, to achieve slenderness.

Dr. Octavia Lewin, of Wimpole-street, W., said it is a mistake for women to think they can go about with impunity in thin stockings and shoes so long as they wear fur coats. It is important to keep the extremities warm if the vitality of the body is to be maintained.

The clothes that many fashionable dressed women and girls wear are utterly inadequate to protect them from the searching cold of our climate," said another physician. "They are prone to catch influenza or any other malady that is going about. It makes a man shudder to see them walking about in this bitter weather in the thinnest of silk stockings and in shoes that afford less protection to the feet than slippers. It often happens, however, that women have a better circulation than men. Women can stay in the sea longer than men."

Admitting that the indoor dress of women is light, even scanty, a modist pointed out as an offset that coats this winter are longer than usual and that the tendency for dresses is to increase in length. Women, too, take much more exercise than formerly and dance a good deal, and this helps to keep the blood circulating freely.

LADY HAMILTON LETTERS.
HUSBAND'S COMPLAINT ABOUT LORD NELSON.

Autograph letters and memoranda with a strong Nelson interest were offered at Sotheby's on December 11.

One, from Lady Hamilton to Sir William Hamilton, dated December 3, 1785, from Edgware-road, is a request to be allowed to go to Naples to live there under Sir William's protection, as Greville had told her, and she wished to be "a little more improved than what I am."

The others are written from Naples to Sir William during his temporary absences, and are full of passionate declarations of love for Sir William.

My All, my earthy Good, every kind name in one. You are to me eating, drinking, and clothing. My comforter in distress, then why shall I not love you indeed (sic). I must and ought whilst Life is left in me or reason to think on you, etc.

The couple were married in 1791. Nelson first met Lady Hamilton in 1793.

An autograph note, written about 1802, is a reproval from Sir William Hamilton to Lady Hamilton: I feel that the whole attention of my wife is given to Lord N. and his interest at Merton.

Sir William desires to join his fishing parties . . . or go to London. She petulantly and defiantly replies: As I see it is a pain to you to remain here, let me beg of you to fix your time for going, whether I dye in Piccadilly or any other spot in England 'tis the same to me.

He replies to this: I have but a very short time to live, and every moment is precious to me. I am . . . exceedingly glad to give every satisfaction to our best Friend our Dear Lord Nelson.

WOMAN'S COCAINE.
PRISON FOR CHINAMAN'S ENGLISH WIFE.

A pretty young woman named Julia Kitt, the English wife of a Chinaman, of Upper North-street, Poplar, E., was charged at Thames Police Court with being in possession of cocaine.

It was stated that the woman was arrested in the Chinese quarter of Limehouse when riding in a motor-car with a man. Cocaine was found in her handbag, and at her house were discovered in a vase several pieces of paper which had been in contact with the drug.

Mrs. Kitt denied that there was any cocaine in the handbag when it was taken away. Detective Crisp said that though the woman had not been convicted she was an associate of persons addicted to cocaine.

The woman was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

BREAKING IT GENTLY.

At the National Shorthand Conference held in London recently, Mr. R. T. Richardson deplored the stereotyped phraseology of the ordinary business letter. We, too, have long felt that these missives were rather crude, and we append a few models which, while written in an entirely new style, achieve the same object as their more stilted forefathers.

Dear Sir, It is a strange fact, but true, that the majority of Londoners are unacquainted with the interiors of many well-known public buildings in their midst. As far as you personally are concerned, we shall be glad to bring to your notice the fine panelling which adorns the Law Courts unless we receive the amount of thirty pounds, which sum you have owed us for close upon two years.

Yours faithfully,
MURFIT AND SNIPPE (Tailors).

Dear Sir, How the evenings are drawing out just now. When Ludo and kindred pastimes begin to pall, you will turn to something new. Why not fill in the jolly little form I have enclosed? Jig Saw puzzles are all very well, but once you have done them a few times they become familiar and too easy, and I am sure, with the alternative I offer you, this will never be the case.

Yours faithfully,
DUNN BROWNE,
(Income Tax Collector).

Dear Sir, Though I have never had the pleasure of meeting you personally I feel sure that you have an honest face, and therefore I would have no qualms in lending you money, say £25 to £1,000, upon your note of hand alone.

Yours faithfully,
I. F. LEACE.

Dear Sir, An ancient proverb has it that "Still waters run deep," and I am afraid that your household waters will reach the lowest depths of profundity unless you settle your water rate at a very early date.

Your faithfully,
CLERK TO THE
WATER BOARD.

William T. Tilden 2d, tennis champion, has become a motion picture actor, according to reports received.

Suit for "back wages" and damages aggregating \$15,000,000 will be started against the Pennsylvania railroad by 600,000 shopmen, who suspended operations more than a year ago and returned to work under the Railroad Labour Board's wage award. It was announced by counsel for the men. The suit will be to compel the road with the labour board's award, and will test the validity of the Transport Act, under which the board operates.

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WHISKIES AND CIGARS.

"SNOBBERY" IN WORKHOUSE INFIRMARY.

Complaints of conduct "snobbish and hurtful" to the poorer inmates of the workhouse infirmaries, known as the North Middlesex Hospital, were raised at a meeting of the Edmonton Board of Guardians.

Mrs. Mason moved that in future no distinction be made between the treatment of private patients and ordinary poor-law inmates, having regard to the fact that under the present arrangements special visiting days, different crockery and cutlery, and other conveniences, are provided for the private patients.

She said that operations were performed upon private patients, for which they would have to pay fifty guineas if performed outside, yet all they were charged by the Guardians was two guineas a week. Poorer patients, she alleged, had been driven out of certain wards at the infirmaries to make room for private patients, whose income was often between £10 and £14 a week.

Mr. Graham said that a man had openly boasted that while he was a patient in the hospital he had a grand time, having whiskies, soda, and cigars, which he provided himself, and was able to entertain visitors up to any hour at night in his private ward.

Mr. Mettler (Chairman of the Hospital Committee) said that 7,000 patients had been admitted during the past two years, and only 103 of these had been private patients.

Mrs. Mason's resolution was referred to the Hospital Committee for further consideration.

CONSIGNEES.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

THE Steamship

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having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that all goods are being landed at their risk, into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., whence and/or from the Wharves, delivery can be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after 8th January, 1924, will be subject to rent.

All Claims must reach us by 15th January, 1924, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10 am on the 8th January, 1923.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ARNHOLD & CO. LTD.,
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Hongkong, January 2nd, 1924.

EASIER VOTING CONTEST.

FREE \$50 PRIZE.

CORONET THEATRE'S OFFER.

POPULAR PICTURES.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN MOVIE FILMS!

This week's voting contest is run on entirely new lines. Competitors vote for the twelve best cinema pictures they have ever seen. They do not select from any given list, nor do they limit their choice to pictures shown in Hongkong. With \$50 waiting to be won, this is exciting enough; but the contest has greatly added interest because the management of the Coronet Theatre, who are offering the prize this week, announce that they will follow the voting in securing new pictures. Some one must win the \$50!—Why not you?

RULES FOR THE NEW CONTEST.

SOME IMPORTANT CHANGES MADE.

This week's contest is entirely different from the ones that have gone before. The new rules are as follows:—

Fill in the TWELVE best cinema pictures you have ever seen. Send the coupon to the *China Mail* office marked "Vote."

You may send in as many coupons as you like.

Coupons must reach the *China Mail* office by Monday next.

Any coupons received by the *China Mail* later than Monday will be disqualified.

The result will be announced in the *China Mail* on Wednesday next week.

Members of the *China Mail* staff and employees of the Coronet Theatre are debarred from entering the contest.

The decision of the Editor upon any points which may arise shall be final.

REACHING THE VERDICT.

Each picture you name will get points, as follows:—

1	Twelve Points.
2	Eleven "
3	Ten "
4	Nine "
5	Eight "
6	Seven "
7	Six "
8	Five "
9	Four "
10	Three "
11	Two "
12	One "

Thus the picture you put first gets twelve points and the picture you put last only one point.

The picture polling the highest total number of points will rank first in the general verdict.

The picture with the next highest total number of points will come second, and so on until the twelve pictures have all been placed.

FINDING THE WINNER.

Each coupon sent in will then be checked over with the general verdict.

Every time your coupon has one of the twelve pictures in the general verdict you will be awarded points.

These points will vary according to the position the picture occupies in the general verdict and according to the position you give it in your coupon.

You will get twelve points if your coupon has the picture that comes first in the general verdict.

If your coupon has this picture correctly placed in the first position you will get 144 points (12 x 12).

If you have put the picture second you will get 132 points (12 x 11); third 120 points (12 x 10); fourth 108 points (12 x 9); fifth 96 points (12 x 8); sixth 84 points (12 x 7); seventh 72 points (12 x 6); eighth 60 points (12 x 5); ninth 48 points (12 x 4); tenth 36 points (12 x 3); eleventh 24 points (12 x 2); and twelfth 12 points (12 x 1).

If your coupon includes the picture coming second in the general verdict you will get eleven points, multiplied in exactly the same way as above according to the position you give the picture in your coupon.

The same principle applies to every picture in the general verdict down to the twelfth.

All your points will be added up, and the coupon with the highest number of points will win the prize.

This system was evolved by an eminent London firm of chartered accountants for the biggest contest of this kind ever held entailing over 6,000,000 votes.

CUT THIS OUT

To the Editor
China Mail, December 2, 1923.
Hongkong.

Sir,
I consider the following the twelve best films I have ever seen:—

Please write clearly in block letters.

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Name
Address



Mr. Horstman No. 1, E. F. Horstman, and Mr. Horstman No. 2

When E. F. Horstman, wealthy Chicago broker, was arrested on a charge of bigamy neither of his wives would prosecute him. Both declared he had been a loving husband and had provided well for them in separate establishments. Both begged for his release, but the State's Attorney refused, declaring he would prosecute Horstman himself. Wife No. 2 put up \$2,000 bail to secure his release.



J. P. Harrington and D. B. Rogers

The ancestors of the American Indian are believed to have been traced by the finding of two skulls of a prehistoric era that have been dug up by a Smithsonian Institution expedition near Santa Barbara, Cal. Archaeologists believe the discovery supplies the "missing link" between the American Indian and the primitive races that roamed the plains of Europe thousands of years ago. The men holding the skulls are: J. P. Harrington, leader of the expedition, and D. B. Rogers, his associate.



A bunch of kiddies had the time of their lives riding Richland, pure-blooded Guernsey bull, prize-winner at the Pacific Coast Dairy and Live Stock Show, at Oakland.



Rioting between Communists and Reich troops and marines in Hamburg, Germany's foremost seaport, on the River Elbe, resulted in the death of many combatants on both sides. This photograph shows a street trench and barricade erected by the Communists, after it had been captured in sanguinary fighting by the Government troops. The rioters had torn up the pavement to build the barricade.



Some automobile don'ts

Here are a few simple "Don'ts" for motorists that will make automobiling safer for driver, passenger and pedestrian. If you're teaching someone else to drive, keep your hands off the wheel and near the emergency brake. It's safer. Don't mix booze and gasoline. Such a mixture is likely to end in death. Don't try to hug your girl with one arm and drive with the other hand. You're both likely to get hurt.



U.S.S. Wyoming in action

"Marines" who have sailed the Seven Seas for decades declared that never in their experience had they encountered such mountainous waves as recently swept the decks of the United States battle fleet in the manoeuvres in the Pacific (O) Ocean. The photograph shows one of the waves completely submerging the gun deck of the U. S. S. "Wyoming."



Miss Mary Bartelme, whose 25 years of public service in Chicago have given her a national name, is Chicago's first woman Judge-elect winning by 15,000 majority over Dennis J. Norboyle, Democratic candidate. Miss Bartelme, a graduate of Northwestern University Law School, was admitted to the bar in 1894. From 1897 to 1917 she was Public Guardian. Then she was appointed to the Juvenile Court bench.



Jean Cordell, 20, is pictured in the garb she wore on her walk from Milwaukee to Montana and back. She declares she received a proposal of marriage for every 100 miles she walked.

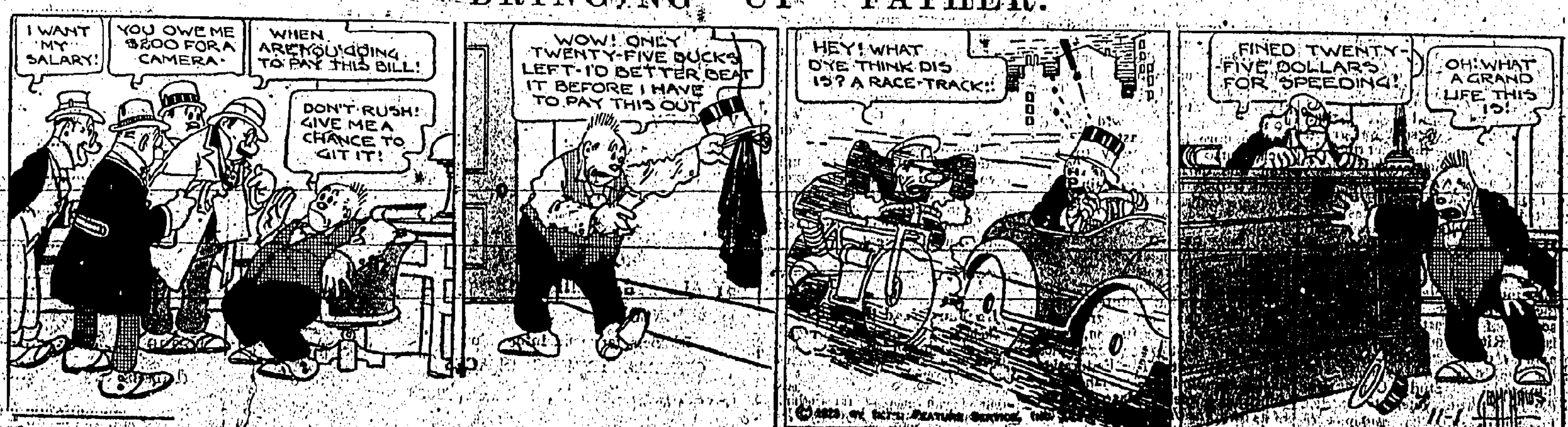


For 20 years Charles M. Schwab, steel master and multi-millionaire made loans to Mrs. Myrtle B. Hayes, who is now under indictment in New York, charged with forging his name to notes which she was using to finance the erection of a \$5,000,000 apartment hotel in Boston. He made the loans, he swore in bankruptcy proceedings in New York, because in 1902 he had advanced her \$2,000 and he feared that if he should stop there would be some publicity regarding his past loan to her which would result in an erroneous construction being placed upon his previous association with her.

BRINGING UP FATHER.

Do you experience difficulty when reading at night?—If so you should consult an eye specialist. Then reading by lamplight will be a pleasure, not an infliction. Your sight is also protected.

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

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FROM NORTH CHINA.

Jan. 3.—J.O.L.L. Tjibodas.

FROM BANGKOK.

Jan. 4.—E. A. Banka.
6.—E. A. Banka.

FROM SHANGHAI.

Jan. 13.—J.O.L.L. Tjibodas.

FROM MANILA.

Jan. 10.—U.S.S.R. West Garmen.

FROM SAIGON.

Jan. 26.—U.S.S.R. West Montop.

FROM JAVA.

Jan. 23.—J.O.L.L. Tjibodas.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Jan. 25.—U.S.S.R. West Montop.

FROM CALCUTTA.

Jan. 5.—B. I. Japan.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Jan. 7.—E. A. Banka.

FROM YANCOUVER.

Jan. 10.—B. F. Tyndarus.

FROM SEATTLE.

Jan. 6.—A.O.L. Tyndarus.

FROM PORTLAND.

Jan. 17.—J.S.S.R. Hancawa.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Jan. 14.—J.S.S.R. Hancawa.

FROM MARSEILLES.

Jan. 17.—M. M. Cordillera.

FROM LONDON.

Jan. 11.—P. & O. Morea.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Jan. 8.—B. F. Monitor.

FROM COPENHAGEN.

Jan. 5.—E. A. Banka.

FROM STOCKHOLM.

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hammer and smash the piano."

When once music, in company with

the other arts, gets a little more

Futurist, we may confidently expect

the following:

"The Path of Progress," rendered

for the first time by the Futurist

Symphony Orchestra, contains

many new effects. After a quiet

opening, in which a short passage

for trombone and cold chisel is the

only novel feature, there follows

some clever work with the pickaxe,

the rest of the orchestra confining

itself to playing second fiddle and

taking cover. The grand finale, in

which the conductor seizes a

hatchet, demolishes the big drum

and inserts the saxophone in the

hole, was the signal for enthusiastic

applause.

Any doubts as to whether music

was or was not becoming a danger-

ous art were set at rest last evening,

when the newly-published "Futurist

Persuasion" formed part of the

programme at the Futurist Hall.

The final direction of this reads,

"Turns machine gun on audience"

and commits har-bari," but long

before this point was reached the

audience had all left the hall and

no casualty occurred.

It seems not unlikely that the

performance of "Young

Leve" may be the last for some con-

siderable time. This charming com-

position, which is almost old-

fashioned in its simplicity, ends, it

will be remembered, with a direc-

tion to train the nearest programme

girl with the big bassoon, and now,

after only half a dozen perform-

ances, the surviving girls have gone

on strike. When one considers the

risk run by our cinema stars, whose

doubles may at any moment fail to

turn up for some dangerous stunt,

one can only wonder the more at

this display of cowardice in the

sister art of music.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

For A.O.L. s.s. "President Grant" on

Dec. 21, 1923, H. J. Apple, R. R.

Agar, E. S. Beyer, E. S. Barnes, Miss

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Evans, Mr. Arthur Foote, Misses Ruby

Garland, W. G. Goye, Mr. R. O. Galt, Master

W. A. Alcott, Mr. H. V. Venn, Mr. H. M.

Imura Hiroshi, Mr. H. V. Venn, Mr. H. M.

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F. P. Field, Mr. M. C. Spind, Dr. L. L.

Exonator, Messrs. Lee Geo. Geo. Ewan

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Kazuo, K. Matsubara, J. M. Miller, Alex.

L. Markeloff, Miss M. Newell, Mrs. N.

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HONGKONG, JANUARY 3, 1924.

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WEATHER REPORT.

January 3d. 12h. 05m.—Pressure has decreased considerably at Shanghai, and slightly to moderately elsewhere. The anticyclone has moved into the Eastern Sea and the monsoon will be interrupted to the north of the Formosa Channel, but will continue to blow freshly along the S.E. coast of China and over the north part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.04 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on January 4, 1924.

1.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong.

2.—South coast of China, between Hainan and Lamook, N.E. winds, fresh, fair.

3.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, N.E. winds, fresh, fair.

4.—South coast of China, between Hainan and Hainan, N.E. winds, fresh, fair.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JANUARY 3, 1924.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.
Victoria Peak	6a.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	7a.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	8a.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	9a.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	10a.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	11a.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	12m.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	1p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	2p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	3p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	4p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	5p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	6p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	7p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
Victoria Peak	8p.	30.13	11	—	—	0
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